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SUBJECT: THREE ALLEGED AMERICANS SHIPWRECKED

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1. THE EMBASSY DEFENSE ATTACHE OFFICE WAS NOTIFIED LATE FRIDAY, AUGUST 17, THAT THE SS RICHARDS HAD RESCUED THREE PERSONS CLAIMING TO BE UNITED STATES CITIZENS FROM A VESSEL NAMED THE MAVERICK. THE RICHARDS WAS TO LAND THEM AT OCHO RIOS ON SATURDAY MORNING

2. ON SATURDAY IN AN EXCHANGE OF TELEPHONE CALLS BETWEEN THE EMBASSY DUTY OFFICER, THE SCS OFFICER, THE JAMAICAN CHIEF OF IMMIGRATION, IMMIGRATION OFFICERS AT OCHO RIOS AND PORT ANTONIO, AND THE OCHO RIOS PORT SUPERINTENDENT, THE FOLLOWING FACTS WERE ESTABLISHED:

(A) IN DEPARTING THE MAVERICK, THE ONLY THINGS TAKEN BY THE THREE WERE A HANDGUN AND RIFLE-NO EVIDENCE OF IDENTITY OR SHIP'S DOCUMENTS WERE TAKEN;

(B) JAMAICA IMMIGRATION REFUSED TO ALLOW THEM TO BE LANDED, UNLESS THEY COULD SHOW MEANS OF DEPARTING THE COUNTRY;

(C) THE RICHARDS CAPTAIN HAD OFFERED THEM A WORKAWAY TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, WHICH THEY ACCEPTED, RATHER
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3. IN VIEW OF LACK OF IDENTITY, THE THREE MAY HAVE DIFFICULTY
LANDING IN CORPUS CHRISTI. THEREFORE THE EMBASSY WISHED TO
MAKE THE INCIDENT A MATTER OF RECORD FOR THE IMMIGRATION AND
NATURALIZATION SERVICE, SHOULD VERIFICATION
OF THEIR NARRATION BECOME NECESSARY. HEWITT

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